

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Bureau of Professional Licensing

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**September 5, 2023**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Location: 611 W. Ottawa Street, UL-4  
Lansing, Michigan**

The hearing is held to receive public comments on the following administrative rules:

**Marriage and Family Therapy – General Rules (MOAHR #2022-037 LR)**

**Authority:** MCL 333.16145, 333.16148, 333.16901, 333.16903, 333.16909, and 333.16913, and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1991-9, 1996-2, 2003-1, and 2011-4, MCL 338.3501, 445.2001, 445.2011, and 445.2030.

**Overview:** The proposed revisions to the rules include: re-organization and grammatical revisions, updates to educational standards, and clarification that an applicant must show proof of successfully passing the Marital and Family Therapy National Examination conducted and scored by the Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards during the 3-year period immediately preceding the date of the application for relicensure, as a pathway for those applicants who have let the license lapse more than three years.

The rules will take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State, unless specified otherwise in the rules. Comments on the proposed rules may be presented in person at the public hearing. Written comments will also be accepted from date of publication until **5:00 p.m. on September 5, 2023**, at the following address or e-mail address:

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Bureau of Professional Licensing– Boards and Committees Section  
P.O. Box 30670  
Lansing, MI 48909-8170  
Attention: Departmental Specialist    Email: BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by contacting Board Support at (517) 241-7500 or the email address noted above. Electronic copies also may be obtained at the following link:

**Marriage and Family Therapy – General Rules**

**<https://ars.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTransaction?TransactionID=1396>**

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